WHY

VOTE

THE ABC'S OF CITIZENSHIP



that the word "IDIOT"

comes from a Greek word meaning "THE MAN WHO DIDN'T VOTE"?

IDIOT or NOT

#### THE MAN WHO DOESN'T VOTE WHEN HE HAS THE CHANCE MAY BE ACTING AS:

- (1) A TOOL of the WORST MACHINE BOSSES
- (2) A VICTIM OF PRESSURE GROUPS
- (3) AN ALLY OF CROOKS
- (4) A GENERAL INFLUENCE for BAD GOVERNMENT



HOWEVER, IN YOUR CASE,

### WHEN YOU VOTE





You help create LEADERS (instead of bosses")



you help POLITICIANS reflect the will of the VOTERS



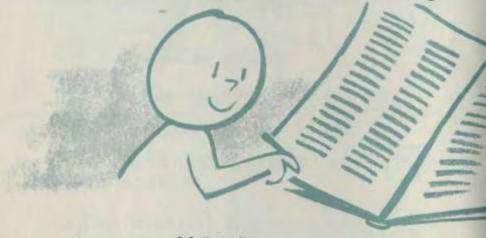
you become a REAL American citizen



and you are an influence for GOOD GOVERNMENT OF COURSE, TO VOTE AT ALL--

YOU'VE GOT TO

## REGISTER!



TO FIND OUT - HOW

- WHEN
- WHERE to REGISTER ...



call (a) Local officials

- (b) Newspaper
  - (c) Courthouse (ask for office handling registration)

## to register you may be required to...

#### (1) IDENTIFY YOURSELF under OATH

- (a) Name
- (b) Address
- (c) Place of Birth

#### (2) GIVE YOUR AGE

## (3) ESTABLISH YOUR RESIDENCE

also -- about 1/3 of the states require a reading test.

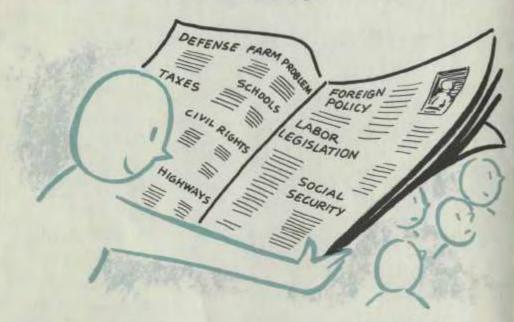
#### ONCE YOU'VE REGISTERED

- (1) find out how long it is good for ...
  - -PERMANENT?
  - ONE YR. ONLY?
  - or UNTIL YOU STOP VOTING?
- (2) if you MOVE...
  you must
  register again
- (3) if a woman MARRIES, she must RE-REGISTER



THEN -- BEFORE YOU VOTE

## STUDY THE ISSUES



Remember -- every public issue is a political issue. The GOVERNMENT is your servant -- to carry out your wishes -- and local issues are just as important for you as state or national ones -- perhaps more important.

## -- AND THE CANDIDATES



Don't be misled by campaign "promises".

See how elected officials have voted. Look behind party labels. Think before you vote-

AND REMEMBER -- Contrary to some opinion -- the average professional politician (ie. elected legislator or official) is a DECENT, HONEST person who wants to do what's BEST and generally will REFLECT the attitudes, morals and wishes of the PEOPLE who ELECTED him.

#### AMERICA HAS BEEN BUILT AND IS BOSSED BY





YOU -- attend these

important meetings to help screen and choose candidates

#### THEN VOTE

and choose candidates ... sometimes more important than the election itself

PARTY PRIMARY and finally

ELECTION DAY

#### TO CHOOSE --

#### LOCAL OFFICES

such as ...

- MAYOR
- COUNCIL
- SCHOOL BOARD etc.

#### STATE OFFICES

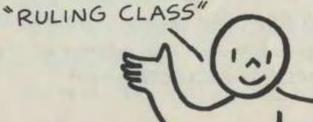
such as

- M GOVERNOR
- KI SENATOR
- REPRESENTATIVES etc.

#### NATIONAL OFFICES

- PRES. & VICE PRES.
- SENATOR
- CONGRESSMAN

your vote makes you a member of America's only



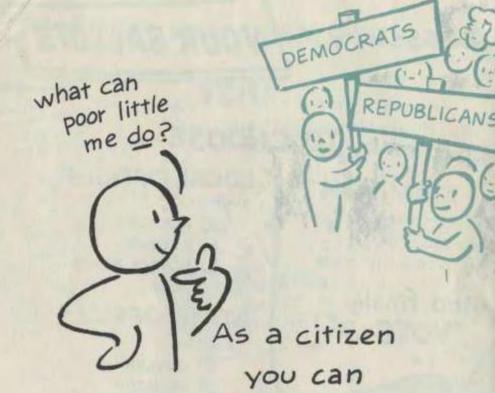
OUR VOTE COUNTS

(300 to 1,000 VOTERS)

PRECINCT in the U.S.

about

GOVERNMENT OF, BY and FOR THE PEOPLE



GET MORE DONE and HAVE MORE FUN if you WORK WITH OTHERS



## You can take part in YOUR PARTY (1) to define issues (2) to select candidates

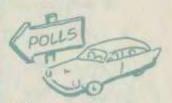


(a) Find out about candidates and issues



(b) Get others to register

- call on them
- take them to registration point



(c) Get others to vote

- drive them to polls
- baby sit while they vote



d) work at party headquarters

> - as receptionist, clerk or phone operator



(e) Distribute literature

- booklets
- posters
- flyers



(f) Attend party meetings ...

> join precinct clubs, young people, women's groups, etc.

# You can work with fellow-members of CLUBS

and other organizations to which you belong

P.T. A.

CIVIC VETERANS

LODGES

GRANGE

LEAGUE of WOMEN

VOTERS

ETC.

on a non-partisan basis

- to (1) get EVERY member to VOTE
  - (2) get CANDIDATES to explain issues
  - (3) organize CIVIC AFFAIRS committees to promote better citizenship

## You can get to know your ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES















Make a LIST of them - local, state and national

(2) ASK THEM what they thinkor ask them for more information on issues that interest you

(3) TELL THEM what you think -- IT'S EASY .-

be serious honest Courteous praise as well as criticise



Just sit down and WRITE THEM A NOTE

no form letters or post cards

Simply\_

address:

U.S. Senate, Washington 25, D.C. ... U.S. House of Representatives Washington 25, D.C. Senator\_

(or) Congressman ., State House, Capital City

(or) Governor ---

(ar) Representative...

#### REMEMBER --

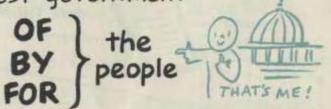
POLITICS is the BUSINESS of running YOUR government

It's concerned with ...

- X YOUR human DIGNITY
- YOUR personal FREEDOM
- YOUR general WELFARE

So. POLITICS IS YOUR BUSINESS

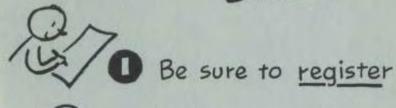
lest government



perish from the earth



## SO WHAT ?





Find out where to vote



Decide {whom what } to Vote for

